

REMARKS

Claims 1-33 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-13 and 28-33, drawn to a method for preparing cytotoxic lymphocytes in the presence of fibronectin;

Group II, claims 14-15, drawn to a cytotoxic lymphocyte; and

Group III, claims 16-27, drawn to an agent comprising fibronectin or a fragment thereof.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1-13 and 28-33. In reply to the election of species requirement, Applicants elect, without traverse, fibronectin immobilized on the solid phase and SEQ ID No: 12. Claims 1, 5-10, 12-13 and 28-32 read on the elected species.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Marc S. Weiner, Registration No. 32,181 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

By 

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